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**"AN ACT CONCERNING DISCLOSURES IN THE SALE OF
SALVAGED MOTOR VEHICLES."**

1 Strike lines 1 to 58, inclusive, in their entirety and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 14-16c of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2003*):

5 (a) (1) (A) Any insurance company which takes possession of a
6 motor vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued in this
7 state, that has been declared a total loss [, in] and that is offered for sale
8 in this state by such insurance company or its agent as a result of the
9 settlement of a claim for damage or theft, shall stamp the word
10 "SALVAGE" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in
11 length on the vehicle's certificate of title and shall attach to such
12 certificate of title a copy of the appraiser's damage report for such
13 totalled motor vehicle, except that if the insurance company
14 determines that such motor vehicle has ten or more major component

15 parts which are damaged beyond repair and must be replaced, the
16 insurance company shall stamp the words "SALVAGE PARTS ONLY"
17 in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length on the
18 vehicle's certificate of title. A copy of such certificate shall be sent by
19 the insurance company to the Department of Motor Vehicles. (B) Any
20 insurance company which takes possession of a motor vehicle for
21 which a certificate of title has been issued in any state other than this
22 state that has been declared a total loss and that is offered for sale in
23 this state by such insurance company or its agent as a result of the
24 settlement of a claim for damage or theft, shall attach to such certificate
25 of title a copy of the appraiser's damage report for such totalled motor
26 vehicle.

27 (2) (A) Any person, firm or corporation which is a self-insurer and
28 owns a motor vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued in
29 this state, that has been declared a total loss and that is offered for sale
30 in this state by such self-insurer or its agent, shall stamp the word
31 "SALVAGE" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in
32 length on the vehicle's certificate of title and shall attach to such
33 certificate of title a copy of the appraiser's damage report for such
34 totalled motor vehicle, except that if such self-insurer determines that
35 such motor vehicle has ten or more major component parts which are
36 damaged beyond repair and must be replaced, the self-insurer shall
37 stamp the words "SALVAGE PARTS ONLY" in one-inch-high letters
38 not to exceed three inches in length on the motor vehicle's certificate of
39 title. Any person, firm or corporation which is insured other than by
40 means of self-insurance and owns such a motor vehicle, shall forward
41 the vehicle's certificate of title to the company insuring such vehicle or
42 the company paying the totalled claim. Such insurer shall stamp the
43 word "SALVAGE" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in
44 length on the certificate of title except that if the insurance company
45 determines that such motor vehicle has ten or more major component
46 parts which are damaged beyond repair and must be replaced, the
47 insurer taking possession of such motor vehicle shall stamp the words
48 "SALVAGE PARTS ONLY" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three

49 inches in length on the motor vehicle's certificate of title and shall
50 return such certificate to such person, firm or corporation. A copy of
51 such certificate shall be sent by the person, firm or corporation to the
52 Department of Motor Vehicles. (B) Any person, firm or corporation
53 which is a self-insurer and owns a motor vehicle for which a certificate
54 of title has been issued in any state other than this state that has been
55 declared a total loss and that is offered for sale in this state by such
56 self-insurer or its agent, shall attach to such certificate of title a copy of
57 the appraiser's damage report for such totalled motor vehicle.

58 (3) For purposes of this subsection, "major component part" shall
59 have the same meaning as provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (a)
60 of section 14-149a.

61 (b) Any insurance company or its agent taking possession of a
62 motor vehicle in accordance with subsection (a) of this section or any
63 person, firm or corporation which owns such motor vehicle shall copy
64 the [stamped] certificate and give the original of such certificate, with a
65 copy of the appraiser's damage report attached thereto, to any
66 subsequent purchaser of the motor vehicle that has been declared a
67 total loss. The name and address of any such purchaser [must] shall be
68 recorded on [the reverse side of] the original and the copy, as provided
69 on the certificate. The copy shall serve only as a record of transfers of
70 the total loss motor vehicle."